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Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the Easter break. This term our topic is called 'Beside the Sea'. We will be looking at books such as 'Secrets of the Seashore', 'Billy's Bucket' and 'The Singing Mermaid'. We are moving onto Phase 4 phonics where the children will learn to read words with more than one syllable and words with adjacent consonants (such as **plan**, **crunch** and **float**). Reading is so important so please continue to listen to your child read at home and use the resources on our website to support your children through their reading journey. This term we are introducing Spelling Books as the children begin to prepare for Year One. The spellings need to be practiced 3 times a week. As normal, new spellings will be sent home on a Friday and to be collected back in the following Thursday. In our number work this term we will be learning numbers 11-20 and beyond, number bonds to 10, doubling and halving and looking at one more and one less.

In our Understanding of the World sessions this term we will be learning about what we might find at the seaside, simple mapwork and answering our Big Question 'How do we use water?'. We will be celebrating Science Day and Eco Day and preparing for Sports Day.

As the weather is getting warmer, please make sure that jumpers and cardigans are named so the children take the correct one home. We will also continue our regular use of our outdoor learning spaces so don't forget to apply sun cream before school on sunny days, and please send your child with a sun hat and a water bottle each day.

As we have finished yoga, PE days are back to **Mondays** and **Tuesdays**. PE bags will need to be in school on a Monday and the children will bring these home ready to come dressed in kit the next day. Please get in contact if you have any queries.

Many Thanks,

The Reception Teachers